ARTICLE 4 AS AMENDED

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2	RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES
3	SECTION 1. Chapter 31-2 of the General Laws entitled "Division of Motor Vehicles" is
4	hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
5	31-2-27. Technology surcharge fee.
6	(a) The division of motor vehicles shall collect a technology surcharge fee of one dollar
7	and fifty cents (\$1.50) per transaction for every division of motor vehicles fee transaction, except
8	as otherwise provided by law. All technology surcharge fees collected pursuant to this section shall
9	be deposited into the information technology investment fund established pursuant to §42-11-2.5
10	and shall be used for project-related payments and/or ongoing maintenance of and enhancements
11	to the division of motor vehicles' computer system and to reimburse the information technology
12	investment fund for advances made to cover project-related payments.
13	(b) Authorization to collect the technology surcharge fee provided for in subsection (a)
14	shall sunset and expire on June 30, 2022.
15	SECTION 2. Section 31-3-33 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-3 entitled "Registration
16	of Vehicles" is hereby amended to read as follows:
17	31-3-33. Renewal of registration.
18	(a) Application for renewal of a vehicle registration shall be made by the owner on a proper
19	application form and by payment of the registration fee for the vehicle as provided by law.
20	(b) The division of motor vehicles may receive applications for renewal of registration, and
21	may grant the renewal and issue new registration cards and plates at any time prior to expiration of
22	registration.
23	(c) Upon renewal, owners will be issued a renewal sticker for each registration plate that
24	shall be placed at the bottom, right-hand corner of the plate. Owners shall be issued a new, fully
25	reflective plate beginning April 1, 2017 January 1, 2019, at the time of initial registration or at the
26	renewal of an existing registration and reissuance will be conducted no less than every ten (10)
27	years.
28	SECTION 3. Section 31-6-1 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-6 entitled "Registration
29	Fees" is hereby amended to read as follows:

31-6-1. Amount of registration and miscellaneous fees. [Effective July 1, 2017.]

1	(a) The following registration fees shall be paid to the division of motor vehicles for the
2	registration of motor vehicles, trailers, semi-trailers, and school buses subject to registration for
3	each year of registration:
4	(1) For the registration of every automobile, when equipped with pneumatic tires, the gross
5	weight of which is not more than four thousand pounds (4,000 lbs.): thirty dollars (\$30.00).
6	(2) For the registration of every motor truck or tractor when equipped with pneumatic tires,
7	the gross weight of which is not more than four thousand pounds (4,000 lbs.): thirty-four dollars
8	<u>(\$34.00).</u>
9	(2)(3) For the registration of every automobile, motor truck or tractor, when equipped with
10	pneumatic tires, the gross weight of which is:
11	(i) More than four thousand pounds (4,000 lbs.), but not more than five thousand pounds
12	(5,000 lbs.): forty dollars (\$40.00);
13	(ii) More than five thousand pounds (5,000 lbs.), but not more than six thousand pounds
14	(6,000 lbs.): forty-eight dollars (\$48.00);
15	(iii) More than six thousand pounds (6,000 lbs.), but not more than seven thousand pounds
16	(7,000 lbs.): fifty-six dollars (\$56.00);
17	(iv) More than seven thousand pounds (7,000 lbs.), but not more than eight thousand
18	pounds (8,000 lbs.): sixty-four dollars (\$64.00);
19	(v) More than eight thousand pounds (8,000 lbs.), but not more than nine thousand pounds
20	(9,000 lbs.): seventy dollars (\$70.00);
21	(vi) More than nine thousand pounds (9,000 lbs.), but not more than ten thousand pounds
22	(10,000 lbs.): seventy-eight dollars (\$78.00);
23	(vii) More than ten thousand pounds (10,000 lbs.), but not more than twelve thousand
24	pounds (12,000 lbs.): one hundred six dollars (\$106);
25	(viii) More than twelve thousand pounds (12,000 lbs.), but not more than fourteen thousand
26	pounds (14,000 lbs.): one hundred twenty-four dollars (\$124);
27	(ix) More than fourteen thousand pounds (14,000 lbs.), but not more than sixteen thousand
28	pounds (16,000 lbs.): one hundred forty dollars (\$140);
29	(x) More than sixteen thousand pounds (16,000 lbs.), but not more than eighteen thousand
30	pounds (18,000 lbs.): one hundred fifty-eight dollars (\$158);
31	(xi) More than eighteen thousand pounds (18,000 lbs.), but not more than twenty thousand
32	pounds (20,000 lbs.): one hundred seventy-six dollars (\$176);
33	(xii) More than twenty thousand pounds (20,000 lbs.), but not more than twenty-two
34	thousand pounds (22,000 lbs.): one hundred ninety-four dollars (\$194);

1	(xiii) More than twenty-two thousand pounds (22,000 lbs.), but not more than twenty-four
2	thousand pounds (24,000 lbs.): two hundred ten dollars (\$210);
3	(xiv) More than twenty-four thousand pounds (24,000 lbs.), but not more than twenty-six
4	thousand pounds (26,000 lbs.): two hundred thirty dollars (\$230);
5	(xv) More than twenty-six thousand pounds (26,000 lbs.), but not more than twenty-eight
6	thousand pounds (28,000 lbs.): two hundred ninety-six dollars (\$296);
7	(xvi) More than twenty-eight thousand pounds (28,000 lbs.), but not more than thirty
8	thousand pounds (30,000 lbs.): three hundred sixteen dollars (\$316);
9	(xvii) More than thirty thousand pounds (30,000 lbs.), but not more than thirty-two
10	thousand pounds (32,000 lbs.): four hundred and twenty-two dollars (\$422);
11	(xviii) More than thirty-two thousand pounds (32,000 lbs.), but not more than thirty-four
12	thousand pounds (34,000 lbs.): four hundred and forty-eight dollars (\$448);
13	(xix) More than thirty-four thousand pounds (34,000 lbs.), but not more than thirty-six
14	thousand pounds (36,000 lbs.): four hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$476);
15	(xx) More than thirty-six thousand pounds (36,000 lbs.), but not more than thirty-eight
16	thousand pounds (38,000 lbs.): five hundred and two dollars (\$502);
17	(xxi) More than thirty-eight thousand pounds (38,000 lbs.), but not more than forty
18	thousand pounds (40,000 lbs.): five hundred and twenty-eight dollars (\$528);
19	(xxii) More than forty thousand pounds (40,000 lbs.), but not more than forty-two thousand
20	pounds (42,000 lbs.): five hundred and fifty-four dollars (\$554);
21	(xxiii) More than forty-two thousand pounds (42,000 lbs.), but not more than forty-six
22	thousand pounds (46,000 lbs.): six hundred and eight dollars (\$608);
23	(xxiv) More than forty-six thousand pounds (46,000 lbs.), but not more than fifty thousand
24	pounds (50,000 lbs.): six hundred and sixty dollars (\$660);
25	(xxv) More than fifty thousand pounds (50,000 lbs.), but not more than fifty-four thousand
26	pounds (54,000 lbs.): seven hundred and twelve dollars (\$712);
27	(xxvi) More than fifty-four thousand pounds (54,000 lbs.), but not more than fifty-eight
28	thousand pounds (58,000 lbs.): seven hundred and sixty-eight dollars (\$768);
29	(xxvii) More than fifty-eight thousand pounds (58,000 lbs.), but not more than sixty-two
30	thousand pounds (62,000 lbs.): eight hundred and sixteen dollars (\$816);
31	(xxviii) More than sixty-two thousand pounds (62,000 lbs.), but not more than sixty-six
32	thousand pounds (66,000 lbs.): eight hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$876);
33	(xxix) More than sixty-six thousand pounds (66,000 lbs.), but not more than seventy
34	thousand pounds (70,000 lbs.): nine hundred and twenty-four dollars (\$924);

1	(xxx) More than seventy thousand pounds (70,000 lbs.), but not more than seventy-four
2	thousand pounds (74,000 lbs.): nine hundred and seventy-two dollars (\$972);
3	(xxxi) Over seventy-four thousand pounds (74,000 lbs.): nine hundred and seventy-two
4	dollars (\$972), plus twenty-four dollars (\$24.00) per two thousand pounds (2,000 lbs.) gross
5	weight.
6	(3)(4) For the registration of every semi-trailer to be used with a truck-tractor, as defined
7	in § 31-1-4(d), shall be as follows: an annual fee of twelve dollars (\$12.00) for a one-year
8	registration; for multi-year registrations the fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for a five-year (5)
9	registration; and eighty dollars (\$80.00) for an eight-year (8) registration. However, when in use,
10	the weight of the resulting semi-trailer unit and its maximum carrying capacity shall not exceed the
11	gross weight of the original semi-trailer unit from which the gross weight of the tractor was
12	determined. A registration certificate and registration plate shall be issued for each semi-trailer so
13	registered. There shall be no refund of payment of such fee, except that when a plate is returned
14	prior to ninety (90) days before the effective date of that year's registration, the pro rate amount,
15	based on the unused portion of the multi-year registration plate period at time of surrender, shall be
16	refunded. A multi-year semi-trailer registration may be transferred to another semi-trailer subject
17	to the provisions and fee set forth in § 31-6-11. Thirty percent (30%) of the semi-trailer registration
18	fee shall be retained by the division of motor vehicles to defray the costs of implementation of the
19	international registration plan (IRP) and fleet registration section.
20	(4)(5) For the registration of every automobile, motor truck, or tractor, when equipped with
21	other than pneumatic tires, there shall be added to the above gross weight fees a charge of ten cents
22	(10¢) for each one hundred pounds (100 lbs.) of gross weight.
23	(5)(6) For the registration of every public bus, the rates provided for motor vehicles for
24	hire plus two dollars (\$2.00) for each passenger that bus is rated to carry, the rating to be determined
25	by the administrator of the division of motor vehicles.
26	(6)(7) For the registration of every motorcycle, or motor-driven cycle, thirteen dollars
27	(\$13.00). Three dollars (\$3.00) from that sum shall be turned over to the department of education
28	to assist in the payment of the cost of the motorcycle driver's education program as enumerated in
29	§ 31-10.1-1.1.
30	(7)(8) For the registration of every trailer, not including semi-trailers used with a truck-
31	tractor as defined in § 31-1-4(d), with a gross weight of three thousand pounds (3,000 lbs.) or less,
32	five dollars (\$5.00). Trailers with a gross weight of more than three thousand pounds (3,000 lbs.)
33	shall be assessed a registration fee of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per thousand pounds (1,000
34	lbs.).

1	(8)(9) The annual registration fee for a motor vehicle, commonly described as a boxcar
2	and/or locomotive, and used only by La Societe Des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux for civic
3	demonstration, parades, convention purposes, or social welfare work, shall be two dollars (\$2.00).
4	(9)(10) For the registration of every motor vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer owned by any
5	department or agency of any city or town or district, provided the name of the city or town or
6	district or state department or agency owning the same shall be plainly printed on two (2) sides of
7	the vehicle, two dollars (\$2.00).
8	(10)(11) For the registration of motor vehicles used for racing, fifteen dollars (\$15.00).
9	(11)(12) For every duplicate registration certificate, seventeen dollars (\$17.00).
10	(12)(13) For every certified copy of a registration certificate or application, ten dollars
11	(\$10.00).
12	(13)(14) For every certificate assigning a special identification number or mark as provided
13	in § 31-3-37, one dollar (\$1.00).
14	(14)(15) For every replacement of number plates or additional pair of number plates,
15	without changing the number, thirty dollars (\$30.00).
16	(15)(16) For the registration of every farm vehicle, used in farming as provided in § 31-3-
17	31: ten dollars (\$10.00).
18	$\frac{(16)(17)}{(17)}$ For the registration of antique motor vehicles, five dollars (\$5.00).
19	(17)(18) For the registration of a suburban vehicle, when used as a pleasure vehicle and the
20	gross weight of which is not more than four thousand pounds (4,000 lbs.), the same rates as charged
21	in subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be applicable and when used as a commercial vehicle and
22	the gross weight of which is not more than four thousand pounds (4,000 lbs.), the same rates as
23	provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection shall be applicable. The rates in subdivision (3) of
24	this subsection shall be applicable when the suburban vehicle has a gross weight of more than four
25	thousand pounds (4,000 lbs.), regardless of the use of the vehicle.
26	(18)(19) For the registration of every motor bus that is used exclusively under contract with
27	a political subdivision or school district of the state for the transportation of school children, twenty-
28	five dollars (\$25); provided that the motor bus may also be used for the transportation of persons
29	to and from church and Sunday school services, and for the transportation of children to and from
30	educational or recreational projects sponsored by a city or town or by any association or
31	organization supported wholly or in part by public or private donations for charitable purposes,
32	without the payment of additional registration fee.
33	(19)(20) For the registration of every motorized bicycle, ten dollars (\$10.00).
34	(20)(21) For the registration of every motorized tricycle, ten dollars (\$10.00).

1	(21)(22) For the replacement of number plates with a number change, twenty dollars
2	(\$20.00).
3	(22)(23) For the initial issuance and each reissuance of fully reflective plates, as required
4	by §§ 31-3-10 and 31-3-32, an additional six dollars (\$6.00).
5	(23)(24) For the issuance of a trip permit under the International Registration Plan, twenty-
6	five dollars (\$25.00) per vehicle. The division of motor vehicles is authorized to issue seventy-two-
7	hour (72) trip permits for vehicles required to be registered in the International Registration Plan
8	that have not been apportioned with the state of Rhode Island.
9	(24)(25) For the issuance of a hunter's permit under the International Registration Plan,
10	twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per vehicle. The division of motor vehicles is authorized to issue
11	hunter's permits for motor vehicles based in the state of Rhode Island and otherwise required to be
12	registered in the International Registration Plan. These permits are valid for thirty (30) days.
13	(25)(26) For the registration of a specially adapted motor vehicle necessary to transport a
14	family member with a disability for personal, noncommercial use, a fee of thirty dollars (\$30.00)
15	assessed.
16	(b) In the event that the registrant voluntarily cancels his or her registration within the
17	period of registration, the division of motor vehicles shall refund only that portion of the fee paid
18	that represents full year segments of the registration fee paid.
19	SECTION 4. Section 31-6-1.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-6 entitled "Registration
20	Fees" is hereby repealed.
21	31-6-1.1. Truck registration fees. [Effective July 1, 2017.]
22	(a) The following registration fees shall be paid to the division of motor vehicles for the
23	registration of motor trucks and tractors as defined in § 31-1-4 subject to registration for each year
24	of registration:
25	(1) For the registration of every motor truck or tractor, when equipped with pneumatic tires,
26	the gross weight of which is not more than four thousand pounds (4,000 lbs.), thirty four dollars
27	(\$34.00).
28	(2) For the registration of every motor truck or tractor, when equipped with pneumatic tires,
29	the gross weight of which is:
30	(i) More than four thousand pounds (4,000 lbs.), but not more than five thousand pounds
31	(5,000 lbs.): forty dollars (\$40.00);
32	(ii) More than five thousand pounds (5,000 lbs.), but not more than six thousand pounds
33	(1.000 to)
	(6,000 lbs.): forty eight dollars (\$48.00);

1	(7,000 lbs.): fifty six dollars (\$56.00);
2	(iv) More than seven thousand pounds (7,000 lbs.), but not more than eight thousand
3	pounds (8,000 lbs.): sixty four dollars (\$64.00);
4	(v) More than eight thousand pounds (8,000 lbs.), but not more than nine thousand pounds
5	(9,000 lbs.): seventy dollars (\$70.00);
6	(vi) More than nine thousand pounds (9,000 lbs.), but not more than ten thousand pounds
7	(10,000 lbs.): seventy-eight dollars (\$78.00);
8	(vii) More than ten thousand pounds (10,000 lbs.), but not more than twelve thousand
9	pounds (12,000 lbs.): seventy-eight dollars (\$78);
10	(viii) More than twelve thousand pounds (12,000 lbs.), but not more than fourteen thousand
11	pounds (14,000 lbs.): ninety two dollars (\$92);
12	(ix) More than fourteen thousand pounds (14,000 lbs.), but not more than sixteen thousand
13	pounds (16,000 lbs.): ninety two dollars (\$92);
14	(x) More than sixteen thousand pounds (16,000 lbs.), but not more than eighteen thousand
15	pounds (18,000 lbs.): one hundred four dollars (\$104);
16	(xi) More than eighteen thousand pounds (18,000 lbs.), but not more than twenty thousand
17	pounds (20,000 lbs.): one hundred nine dollars (\$109);
18	(xii) More than twenty thousand pounds (20,000 lbs.), but not more than twenty two
19	thousand pounds (22,000 lbs.): one hundred twenty dollars (\$120);
20	(xiii) More than twenty two thousand pounds (22,000 lbs.), but not more than twenty four
21	thousand pounds (24,000 lbs.): one hundred thirty dollars (\$130);
22	(xiv) More than twenty-four thousand pounds (24,000 lbs.), but not more than twenty-six
23	thousand pounds (26,000 lbs.): one hundred forty three dollars (\$143);
24	(xv) More than twenty-six thousand pounds (26,000 lbs.), but not more than twenty-eight
25	thousand pounds (28,000 lbs.): one hundred forty eight dollars (\$148);
26	(xvi) More than twenty eight thousand pounds (28,000 lbs.), but not more than thirty
27	thousand pounds (30,000 lbs.): one hundred fifty eight dollars (\$158);
28	(xvii) More than thirty thousand pounds (30,000 lbs.), but not more than thirty two
29	thousand pounds (32,000 lbs.): two hundred and eleven dollars (\$211);
30	(xviii) More than thirty two thousand pounds (32,000 lbs.), but not more than thirty four
31	thousand pounds (34,000 lbs.): two hundred and twenty-four dollars (\$224);
32	(xix) More than thirty four thousand pounds (34,000 lbs.), but not more than thirty six
33	thousand pounds (36,000 lbs.): two hundred and thirty eight dollars (\$238);
34	(xx) More than thirty six thousand pounds (36,000 lbs.), but not more than thirty eight

1	thousand pounds (38,000 lbs.): two hundred and fifty one dollars (\$251);
2	(xxi) More than thirty eight thousand pounds (38,000 lbs.), but not more than forty
3	thousand pounds (40,000 lbs.): two hundred and sixty-four dollars (\$264);
4	(xxii) More than forty thousand pounds (40,000 lbs.), but not more than forty-two thousand
5	pounds (42,000 lbs.): two hundred and seventy seven dollars (\$277);
6	(xxiii) More than forty two thousand pounds (42,000 lbs.), but not more than forty-six
7	thousand pounds (46,000 lbs.): three hundred and four dollars (\$304);
8	(xxiv) More than forty-six thousand pounds (46,000 lbs.), but not more than fifty thousand
9	pounds (50,000 lbs.): three hundred and thirty dollars (\$330);
10	(xxv) More than fifty thousand pounds (50,000 lbs.), but not more than fifty four thousand
11	pounds (54,000 lbs.): three hundred and fifty six dollars (\$356);
12	(xxvi) More than fifty four thousand pounds (54,000 lbs.), but not more than fifty eight
13	thousand pounds (58,000 lbs.): three hundred and eighty four dollars (\$384);
14	(xxvii) More than fifty-eight thousand pounds (58,000 lbs.), but not more than sixty-two
15	thousand pounds (62,000 lbs.): four hundred and eight dollars (\$408);
16	(xxviii) More than sixty two thousand pounds (62,000 lbs.), but not more than sixty six
17	thousand pounds (66,000 lbs.): four hundred and thirty eight dollars (\$438);
18	(xxix) More than sixty six thousand pounds (66,000 lbs.), but not more than seventy
19	thousand pounds (70,000 lbs.): four hundred and sixty two dollars (\$462);
20	(xxx) More than seventy thousand pounds (70,000 lbs.), but not more than seventy-two
21	thousand pounds (72,000 lbs.): four hundred and eighty-six dollars (\$486);
22	(xxxi) More than seventy-two thousand pounds (72,000 lbs.), but not more than seventy-
23	four thousand pounds (74,000 lbs.): four hundred ninety-eight dollars (\$498);
24	(xxxii) More than seventy four thousand pounds (74,000 lbs.), but not more than seventy-
25	six thousand pounds (76,000 lbs.): five hundred ten dollars (\$510);
26	(xxxiii) More than seventy-six thousand pounds (76,000 lbs.), but not more than seventy-
27	eight thousand pounds (78,000 lbs.): five hundred twenty-two dollars (\$522);
28	(xxxiv) More than seventy-eight thousand pounds (78,000 lbs.), but not more than eighty
29	thousand pounds (80,000 lbs.): five hundred thirty-four dollars (\$534);
30	(xxxv) More than eighty thousand pounds (80,000 lbs.), but not more than eighty two
31	thousand pounds (82,000 lbs.): five hundred forty six dollars (\$546);
32	(xxxvi) More than eighty two thousand pounds (82,000 lbs.), but not more than eighty-
33	four thousand pounds (84,000 lbs.): five hundred fifty eight dollars (\$558);
34	(xxxvii) More than eighty four thousand pounds (84,000 lbs.), but not more than eighty-

I	six thousand pounds (86,000 lbs.): five hundred seventy dollars (\$5/0);
2	(xxxviii) More than eighty-six thousand pounds (86,000 lbs.), but not more than eighty-
3	eight thousand pounds (88,000 lbs.): five hundred eighty two dollars (\$582);
4	(xxxix) More than eighty eight thousand pounds (88,000 lbs.), but not more than ninety
5	thousand pounds (90,000 lbs.): five hundred ninety four dollars (\$594);
6	(x1) More than ninety thousand pounds (90,000 lbs.), but not more than ninety two
7	thousand pounds (92,000 lbs.): six hundred six dollars (\$606);
8	(xli) More than ninety-two thousand pounds (92,000 lbs.), but not more than ninety four
9	thousand pounds (94,000 lbs.): six hundred eighteen dollars (\$618);
10	(xlii) More than ninety four thousand pounds (94,000 lbs.), but not more than ninety six
11	thousand pounds (96,000 lbs.): six hundred thirty dollars (\$630);
12	(xliii) More than ninety-six thousand pounds (96,000 lbs.), but not more than ninety-eight
13	thousand pounds (98,000 lbs.): six hundred forty two dollars (\$642);
14	(xliv) More than ninety-eight thousand pounds (98,000 lbs.), but not more than one
15	hundred thousand pounds (100,000 lbs.): six hundred fifty four dollars (\$654);
16	(xlv) More than one hundred thousand pounds (100,000 lbs.), but not more than one
17	hundred two thousand pounds (102,000 lbs.): six hundred sixty six dollars (\$666);
18	(xlvi) More than one hundred two thousand pounds (102,000 lbs.), but not more than one
19	hundred four thousand pounds (104,000 lbs.): six hundred seventy-eight dollars (\$678);
20	(xlvii) Over one hundred four thousand pounds (104,000 lbs.): six hundred and ninety
21	dollars (\$690), plus twelve dollars (\$12) per two thousand pounds (2,000 lbs.) gross weight.
22	(3) For the registration of every motor truck or tractor owned by any department or agency
23	of any city or town or district, provided the name of the city or town or district or state department
24	or agency owning the same shall be plainly printed on two (2) sides of the vehicle, two dollars
25	(\$2.00).
26	(4) For the replacement of number plates with a number change, twenty dollars (\$20.00).
27	(5) For the initial issuance and each reissuance of fully reflective plates as required by §§
28	31-3-10 and 31-3-32, an additional six dollars (\$6.00).
29	(6) For the issuance of a trip permit under the International Registration Plan, twenty five
30	dollars (\$25.00) per vehicle. The division of motor vehicles is authorized to issue seventy-two-hour
31	(72) trip permits for vehicles required to be registered in the International Registration Plan that
32	have not been apportioned with the state of Rhode Island.
33	(7) For the registration of every motor truck or tractor, when equipped with other than
34	pneumatic tires, there shall be added to the above gross weight fees a charge of ten cents (\$.10) for

1	each one hundred pounds (100 lbs.) of gross weight.
2	(8) For every duplicate registration certificate, seventeen dollars (\$17.00).
3	(9) For every certified copy of a registration certificate or application, ten dollars (\$10.00)
4	(10) For every certificate assigning a special identification number or mark as provided in
5	§ 31-3-37, one dollar (\$1.00).
6	(11) For every replacement of number plates or additional pair of number plates, without
7	changing the number, thirty dollars (\$30.00).
8	(b) In the event that the registrant voluntarily cancels his or her registration within the
9	period of registration, the division of motor vehicles shall refund only that portion of the fee paid
10	which represents full year segments of the registration fee paid.
11	SECTION 5. Section 39-18.1-4 of the General Laws in Chapter 39-18.1 entitled
12	"Transportation Investment and Debt Reduction Act of 2011" is hereby amended to read as follows
13	39-18.1-4. Rhode Island highway maintenance account created.
14	(a) There is hereby created a special account in the intermodal surface transportation fund
15	as established in section 31-36-20 that is to be known as the Rhode Island highway maintenance
16	account. (b) The fund shall consist of all those moneys which the state may from time to time
17	direct to the fund, including, not necessarily limited to, moneys derived from the following sources
18	(1) There is imposed a surcharge of thirty dollars (\$30.00) per vehicle or truck, other than those
19	with specific registrations set forth below in subsection (b)(1)(i). Such surcharge shall be paid by
20	each vehicle or truck owner in order to register that owner's vehicle or truck and upon each
21	subsequent biennial registration. This surcharge shall be phased in at the rate of ten dollars (\$10.00)
22	each year. The total surcharge will be ten dollars (\$10.00) from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014
23	twenty dollars (\$20.00) from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, and thirty dollars (\$30.00) from
24	July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 and each year thereafter. (i) For owners of vehicles or trucks
25	with the following plate types, the surcharge shall be as set forth below and shall be paid in full in
26	order to register the vehicle or truck and upon each subsequent renewal:
27	Plate Type Surcharge
28	Antique \$5.00
29	Farm \$10.00
30	Motorcycle \$13.00
31	(ii) For owners of trailers, the surcharge shall be one-half (1/2) of the biennial registration
32	amount and shall be paid in full in order to register the trailer and upon each subsequent renewal
33	(2) There is imposed a surcharge of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per vehicle or truck, other than those

with specific registrations set forth in subsection (b)(2)(i) below, for those vehicles or trucks subject

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- to annual registration, to be paid annually by each vehicle or truck owner in order to register that
 owner's vehicle, trailer or truck and upon each subsequent annual registration. This surcharge will
 be phased in at the rate of five dollars (\$5.00) each year. The total surcharge will be five dollars
 (\$5.00) from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, ten dollars (\$10.00) from July 1, 2014 through
 June 30, 2015, and fifteen dollars (\$15.00) from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 and each year
 thereafter.
 - (i) For registrations of the following plate types, the surcharge shall be as set forth below and shall be paid in full in order to register the plate, and upon each subsequent renewal:

9	Plate Type	Surcharge
10	Boat Dealer	\$6.25
11	Cycle Dealer	\$6.25
12	In-transit	\$5.00
13	Manufacturer	\$5.00
14	New Car Dealer	\$5.00
15	Used Car Dealer	\$5.00
16	Racer Tow	\$5.00
17	Transporter	\$5.00
18	Bailee	\$5.00

- (ii) For owners of trailers, the surcharge shall be one-half (1/2) of the annual registration amount and shall be paid in full in order to register the trailer and upon each subsequent renewal.
- (iii) For owners of school buses, the surcharge will be phased in at the rate of six dollars and twenty-five cents (\$6.25) each year. The total surcharge will be six dollars and twenty-five cents (\$6.25) from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 and twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50) from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 and each year thereafter.
- (3) There is imposed a surcharge of thirty dollars (\$30.00) per license to operate a motor vehicle to be paid every five (5) years by each licensed operator of a motor vehicle. This surcharge will be phased in at the rate of ten dollars (\$10.00) each year. The total surcharge will be ten dollars (\$10.00) from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, twenty dollars (\$20.00) from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, and thirty dollars (\$30.00) from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 and each year thereafter. In the event that a license is issued or renewed for a period of less than five (5) years, the surcharge will be prorated according to the period of time the license will be valid.
- (c) All funds collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the Rhode Island highway maintenance account and shall be used only for the purposes set forth in this chapter.
- (d) Unexpended balances and any earnings thereon shall not revert to the general fund but

1	shall remain in the Rhode Island highway maintenance account. There shall be no requirement that
2	monies received into the Rhode Island highway maintenance account during any given calendar
3	year or fiscal year be expended during the same calendar year or fiscal year.
4	(e) The Rhode Island highway maintenance account shall be administered by the director,
5	who shall allocate and spend monies from the fund only in accordance with the purposes and
6	procedures set forth in this chapter.
7	(4) All fees assessed pursuant to § 31-47.1-11, and chapters 3, 6, 10, and 10.1 of title 31
8	shall be deposited into the Rhode Island highway maintenance account, provided that for fiscal
9	years 2016, 2017 and 2018 these fees be transferred as follows:
10	(i) From July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, twenty-five percent (25%) will be deposited;
11	(ii) From July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, seventy five percent (75%) fifty percent
12	(50%) will be deposited; and
13	(iii) From July 1, 2017 and each year thereafter, one hundred percent (100%) eighty percent
14	(80%) will be deposited;
15	(iv) From July 1, 2018, and each year thereafter, one hundred percent (100%) will be
16	deposited:
17	(5) All remaining funds from previous general obligation bond issues that have not
18	otherwise been allocated.
19	SECTION 6. Section 39-18.1-5 of the General Laws in Chapter 39-18.1 entitled
20	"Transportation Investment and Debt Reduction Act of 2011" is hereby amended to read as follows:
21	39-18.1-5. Allocation of funds.
22	(a) The monies in the highway maintenance fund to be directed to the department of
23	transportation pursuant to subdivision (a)(1) of this section shall be allocated through the
24	transportation improvement program process to provide the state match for federal transportation
25	funds, in place of borrowing, as approved by the state planning council. The expenditure of moneys
26	in the highway maintenance fund shall only be authorized for projects that appear in the state's
27	transportation improvement program.
28	(b) Provided however, that beginning with fiscal year 2015 and annually thereafter, the
29	department of transportation will allocate necessary funding to programs that are designed to
30	eliminate structural deficiencies of the state's bridge, road and maintenance systems and
31	infrastructure.
32	(c) Provided further that beginning July 1, 2015, five percent (5%) of available proceeds
33	in the Rhode Island highway maintenance account shall be allocated annually to the Rhode Island
34	public transit authority for operating expenditures.

1	(d) Provided further that from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019, in addition to the amount
2	above, the Rhode Island public transit authority shall receive an amount of not less than five million
3	dollars (\$5,000,000) each fiscal year.
4	(e) Provided further that the Rhode Island public transit authority shall convene a
5	coordinating council consisting of those state agencies responsible for meeting the needs of low-
6	income seniors and persons with disabilities, along with those stakeholders that the authority deems
7	appropriate and are necessary to inform, develop, and implement the federally-required
8	Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan.
9	The council shall develop, as part of the state's federally-required plan, recommendations
10	for the appropriate and sustainable funding of the free-fare program for low-income seniors and
11	persons with disabilities, while maximizing the use of federal funds available to support the
12	transportation needs of this population.
13	The council shall report these recommendations to the Governor, the Speaker of the House
14	of Representatives, and the President of the Senate, no later than November 1, 2018.
15	SECTION 7. Section 4 of this article shall take upon passage. The remainder of this article
16	shall take effect as of July 1, 2017.

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